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Summary

The present report contains the performance report for the Military Observer Group of the United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala (MINUGUA) for the period from 15 February to 31 May 1997.

A total amount of $4 million gross ($3,956,300 net) was appropriated by the General Assembly for the maintenance of the Military Observer Group for the period. The related expenditures at the end of the fiscal year amounted to $3,946,000 gross and net, resulting in an unencumbered balance of $54,000 gross ($10,300 net). Obligations amounting to $130,200 were subsequently liquidated, resulting in an increased unencumbered balance of $184,200 gross ($140,500 net).

The report also contains the final disposition of the assets of the Military Observer Group.

The actions to be taken by the General Assembly are set out in paragraph 17 of the present report.

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I. Introduction

1. The cost of deploying the Military Observer Group of the United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala for the period from 15 February to 31 May 1997 was estimated at $4,570,800 gross ($4,520,100 net) in the report of the Secretary-General dated 3 March 1997 (A/51/815). The estimate provided for the deployment of 155 military observers and requisite medical personnel authorized by the Security Council in its resolution 1094 (1997) of 20 January 1997.

2. Based on a reduction in the number of team sites from eight to six and in the number of military observers from 155 to 142, the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions recommended in its report of 11 March 1997 (A/51/826) that the General Assembly appropriate an amount of $4 million gross ($3,956,300 net) for the Military Observer Group.

3. The General Assembly, by its resolution 51/228 of 3 April 1997, appropriated a total of $4 million gross ($3,956,300 net) for the Military Observer Group for the period from 15 February to 31 May 1997. This amount was assessed on Member States.

II. Financial performance report for the period from 15 February to 31 May 1997

4. Annex I to the present report sets out in column 1 the original cost estimates for the Military Observer Group by budget line item, as contained in annex I to the report of the Secretary-General of 3 March 1997 (A/51/815). The apportionment of the resources provided by the General Assembly in its resolution 51/228 is indicated in column 2. Non-recurrent and recurrent expenditures are shown in columns 3 and 4, respectively, while total expenditures are given in column 5. The unliquidated obligations as at 30 June 1997 are shown in column 6 and variances to the cost estimates are indicated in column 7. Supplementary information in respect of the expenditures is contained in annex II. The authorized staffing, incumbency and vacancy rates are provided in annex III and the planned and actual deployment of military and civilian personnel is contained in annex IV.

5. Expenditures at the end of the reporting period totalled $3,946,000 gross and net, resulting in an unencumbered balance of $54,000 gross ($10,300 net). The unencumbered balance resulted primarily from civilian staff vacancies and lower requirements for utilities and commercial communications offset by additional requirements for mission subsistence allowance for military observers and miscellaneous supplies and services.

III. Financial administration

A. Resources made available and operating costs for the period from 15 February to 31 May 1997

6. The total resources made available to the Military Observer Group for the period from 15 February to 31 May 1997 amount to $4 million gross ($3,956,300 net) and the expenditures for the same period total $3,946,000 gross and net. Obligations amounting to $130,200 were subsequently liquidated, thus reducing expenditures to $3,815,800. Detailed information is presented in annex IX to the present report.

B. Status of assessed contributions

7. As at 30 April 1997 a total of $3,969,802 had been assessed on Member States in respect of the Military Observer Group for the period from 15 February to 31 May 1997. Contributions received as at 31 October 1998 amounted to $3,651,046, resulting in a shortfall of $318,756.

C. Unliquidated obligations

8. As at 16 November 1998, unliquidated obligations amounted to $12,336 for the travel of military observers.

D. Voluntary and trust fund contributions

9. No voluntary contributions were received and no trust funds were established in connection with the Military Observer Group.

E. Application of article IV of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations

10. In a report to the General Assembly at its thirty-third session on the United Nations Emergency Force/United Nations Disengagement Force (UNEF/UNDOF) (A/C.5/33/45), the Secretary-General indicated, *inter alia*, that the amounts owed to troop-contributing Governments could not be paid in the time-frame envisaged under financial regulation 4.3. That situation continues to be experienced in peacekeeping operations. Consequently, over the years the Assembly has adopted special arrangements whereby appropriations required in respect of obligations owed to Governments providing contingents and/or logistic support to the mission have been retained beyond the period stipulated under financial regulations 4.3 and 4.4.

11. In the case of the Military Observer Group and in the cases of UNEF/UNDOF, the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL), the United Nations Iran-Iraq Military Observer Group (UNIIMOG), the United Nations Transition Assistance Group (UNTAG), the United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission (UNIKOM), the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR), the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador (ONUSAL), the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (UNAVEM), the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara (MINURSO), the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia (UNOMIG), the United Nations Observer Mission in Liberia (UNOMIL), the United Nations Mission in Haiti (UNMIH), the United Nations Assistance Mission for Rwanda (UNAMIR), the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP), the United Nations Support Mission in Haiti (UNSMIH), the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina (UNMIBH), the United Nations Transitional Administration for Eastern Slavonia, Baranja and Western Sirmium (UNTAES), the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force (UNPREDEP), the United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia (UNTAC) and the United Nations Operation in Mozambique (ONUMOZ), there are currently certain amounts obligated for reimbursement to Governments that will be required for the settlement of claims not yet received.

12. Accordingly, it is proposed that special arrangements with regard to the application of article IV of the Financial Regulations similar to those contained in the annex to General Assembly resolution 52/240 of 26 June 1998 be applied to the Military Observer Group, as follows:

(a) At the end of the 12-month period provided for in regulation 4.3, any unliquidated obligations of the financial period in question relating to goods supplied and services rendered by Governments for which claims have been received or which are covered by established reimbursement rates shall be transferred to accounts payable; such accounts payable shall remain recorded in the Special Account until payment is effected;

(b) (i) Any other unliquidated obligations of the financial period in question owed to Governments for goods supplied and services rendered, as well as other obligations owed to Governments, for which required claims have not yet been received shall remain valid for an additional period of four years following the end of the 12-month period provided for in regulation 4.3;

(ii) Claims received during this four-year period shall be treated as provided under paragraph (a) above, if appropriate;

(iii) At the end of the additional four-year period, any unliquidated obligations shall be cancelled and the then remaining balance of any appropriations retained therefor shall be surrendered.

IV. Classification and disposition of the assets of the Military Observer Group

13. The present report on the final disposition of the assets of the Military Observer Group is submitted pursuant to section VII of General Assembly resolution 49/233 A of 23 December 1994, in which the Assembly endorsed the proposals of the Secretary-General on the disposition of the assets of peacekeeping operations contained in his report of 25 May 1994 (A/48/945 and Corr.1, para. 110) and the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions contained in its report of 18 November 1994 (A/49/664, para. 116).

14. The process of liquidating the assets of the Military Observer Group was guided by the following principles and policies as approved by the General Assembly in section VII of its resolution 49/233 A:

(a) Equipment in good condition that conforms to established standardization or is considered compatible with existing equipment will be redeployed to other United Nations operations elsewhere in the world or will be placed in reserve to form the start-up kits for use by future missions;

(b) Equipment not required by other peacekeeping missions but which may be useful for operations of other United Nations agencies, international organizations or non-governmental organizations and which it is not feasible to keep in reserve will be sold to a relevant agency or organization;

(c) Any equipment or property not required or which it is not feasible to dispose of in the above manner or which is in poor condition will be subject to commercial disposal in the area of operations, following standard United Nations regulations and procedures;

(d) Any surplus mission assets remaining after disposition under the terms referred to under paragraphs (a) to (c) above, and/or any assets which have already been installed

in the country and which, if dismantled, would in fact set back the rehabilitation process of the country, will be contributed to the duly recognized Government of the country involved. This refers in particular to airfield installations and equipment, bridges and mine-clearing equipment. All efforts should be made to obtain from the Government its agreement to compensate the United Nations in a mutually acceptable form (contributions, services, tax exemption, etc.) for the residual value of any surplus mission assets installed in the country that could not be otherwise disposed of. The General Assembly should, as a matter of principle, be requested to approve any such disposition of mission assets which would provide for free-of-charge contribution to the Government.

15. Based on the inventory records of 31 May 1997, the assets of the Military Observer Group were estimated at approximately $1.2 million, based on their inventory value. For ease of classification, these assets have been grouped into 12 categories of equipment presented in standard peacekeeping operation budgets: prefabricated buildings, communications equipment, office equipment, electronic data-processing equipment, generators, petrol tank plus metering equipment, water and septic tanks, accommodation equipment, refrigeration equipment, miscellaneous equipment, field defence equipment and water purification equipment.

16. In accordance with the principles and policies recalled in paragraph 14 above, the assets of the Military Observer Group have been placed into the following three groups and four subgroups as presented in summarized form in annex V and detailed in annexes VI to VIII:

(a) Group I includes assets identified as meeting the requirements of other United Nations missions. The items in the group, with an inventory value of $965,300 (80 per cent of total asset value) have been transferred to the United Nations Mission MINUGUA or to the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi. Details are shown in annex VI;

(b) Group II consists of assets with an inventory value of $158,600 (13 per cent of total asset value) and includes two subgroups, (a) and (b), as follows:

(i) Subgroup II (a), with an inventory value of $158,600, consists of assets sold within the mission area;

(ii) No assets are reported under subgroup II (b), since there were no assets installed in the mission area that were donated to the host Government;

(c) Group III includes subgroup III (a), assets written off, with a total inventory value of $73,000 (6 per cent), and subgroup III (b), assets lost during the course of the Mission ($700, or less than 1 per cent).

V. Actions to be taken by the General Assembly

17. The actions to be taken by the General Assembly in connection with the financing of the Military Observer Group and the disposition of assets are as follows:

(a) A decision on the treatment of the unencumbered balance of $184,200 gross ($140,500 net) for the period from 15 February to 31 May 1997;

(b) A decision on the treatment of the interest ($38,653) and miscellaneous income ($68,983) totalling $107,636;

(c) A decision that the special arrangements as regards article IV of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations, as detailed in paragraph 12 above, should be applied to the Military Observer Group;

(d) A decision on the treatment of any surplus arising from the eventual liquidation of the remaining obligations in the Special Account of the Military Observer Group;

(e) A decision to take note of the report on the disposition of assets.

Annex I

Financial performance report for the period from 15 February to 31 May 1997

(Thousands of United States dollars)

	(1) Original cost estimates	(2) Apportionment	(3) Non-recurrent expenditures	(4) Recurrent expenditures	(5) Total expenditures (3+4)	(6) Unliquidated obligations	(7) Variance (2–5)
1. Military personnel costs							
(a) Military observers							
Mission subsistence allowance	871.1	813.8	—	983.9	983.9	250.0	(170.1)
Travel costs	504.0	465.0	—	453.0	453.0	360.1	12.0
Clothing and equipment allowance	8.4	7.8	—	7.6	7.6	—	0.2
Subtotal	**1 383.5**	**1 286.6**	**—**	**1 444.5**	**1 444.5**	**610.1**	**(157.9)**
(b) Military contingents	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(c) Other costs pertaining to military personnel							
Contingent-owned equipment	6.9	6.9	—	2.4	2.4	2.4	4.5
Death and disability compensation	16.8	15.5	—	15.5	15.5	15.5	—
Subtotal	**23.7**	**22.4**	**—**	**17.9**	**17.9**	**17.9**	**4.5**
Total, line 1	**1 407.2**	**1 309.0**	**—**	**1 462.4**	**1 462.4**	**628.0**	**(153.4)**
2. Civilian personnel costs							
(a) Civilian police	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) International and local staff							
International staff salaries	154.2	132.1	—	126.3	126.3	126.3	5.8
Local staff salaries	71.4	59.5	—	77.5	77.5	5.0	(18.0)
Consultants	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Overtime	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
General temporary assistance	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Common staff costs	82.3	73.4	—	30.7	30.7	24.2	42.7
Mission subsistence allowance	72.7	64.9	—	21.8	21.8	—	43.1
Other travel costs	—	—	—	11.6	11.6	0.1	(11.6)
Subtotal	**380.6**	**329.9**	**—**	**267.9**	**267.9**	**155.6**	**62.0**
(c) International contractual personnel	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(d) United Nations Volunteers	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(e) Government-provided personnel	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(f) Civilian electoral observers	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, line 2	**380.6**	**329.9**	**—**	**267.9**	**267.9**	**155.6**	**62.0**
3. Premises/accommodation							
Rental of premises	28.6	28.6	—	40.3	40.3	—	(11.7)

	(1) Original cost estimates	(2) Apportionment	(3) Non-recurrent expenditures	(4) Recurrent expenditures	(5) Total expenditures (3+4)	(6) Unliquidated obligations	(7) Variance (2-5)
Alteration and renovation of premises	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Maintenance supplies	5.0	5.0	—	0.5	0.5	—	4.5
Maintenance services	11.0	11.0	—	3.0	3.0	—	8.0
Utilities	89.1	89.1	—	39.3	39.3	2.2	49.8
Construction/prefabricated buildings	754.5	754.5	754.7	—	754.7	63.5	(0.2)
Total, line 3	**888.2**	**888.2**	**754.7**	**83.1**	**837.8**	**65.7**	**50.4**
4. Infrastructure repairs							
Upgrading of airstrips	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Upgrading of roads	5.0	5.0	5.0	—	5.0	—	—
Repair of bridges	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, line 4	**5.0**	**5.0**	**5.0**	**—**	**5.0**	**—**	**—**
5. Transport operations							
Purchase of vehicles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rental of vehicles	43.0	43.0	—	54.7	54.7	10.1	(11.7)
Workshop equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Spare parts, repairs and maintenance	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Petrol, oil and lubricants	22.7	22.7	—	16.7	16.7	3.0	6.0
Vehicle insurance	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, line 5	**65.7**	**65.7**	**—**	**71.4**	**71.4**	**13.1**	**(5.7)**
6. Air operations							
(a) Helicopter operations							
Hire/charter costs	699.8	284.9	—	531.0	531.0	269.2	(2 461.1)
Aviation fuel and lubricants	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Positioning/depositioning costs	420.0	420.0	171.0	—	171.0	—	249.0
Resupply flights	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Painting/preparation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Liability and war-risk insurance	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Subtotal	**1 119.8**	**704.9**	**171.0**	**531.0**	**702.0**	**269.2**	**2.9**
(b) Fixed-wing aircraft	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(c) Aircrew subsistence allowance	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(d) Other air operation costs	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, line 6	**1 119.8**	**704.9**	**171.0**	**531.0**	**702.0**	**269.2**	**2.9**
7. Naval operations	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Communications							
(a) Complementary communications							
Communications equipment	70.5	70.5	64.4	—	64.4	25.8	6.1
Spare parts and supplies	36.3	36.3	—	47.6	47.6	4.2	(11.3)

	(1) Original cost estimates	(2) Apportionment	(3) Non-recurrent expenditures	(4) Recurrent expenditures	(5) Total expenditures (3+4)	(6) Unliquidated obligations	(7) Variance (2–5)
Workshop and test equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Commercial communications	165.0	165.0	—	50.0	50.0	50.0	115.0
Subtotal	**271.8**	**271.8**	**64.4**	**97.6**	**162.0**	**80.0**	**109.8**
(b) Main trunking contract	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, line 8	**271.8**	**271.8**	**64.4**	**97.6**	**162.0**	**80.0**	**109.8**
9. Other equipment							
Office furniture	35.0	35.0	24.5	—	24.5	—	10.5
Office equipment	6.0	6.0	5.8	—	5.8	—	0.2
Data-processing equipment	43.0	43.0	42.1	—	42.1	—	0.9
Generators	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Observation equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Petrol tank plus metering equipment	7.0	7.0	6.7	—	6.7	—	0.3
Water and septic tanks	5.4	5.4	1.6	—	1.6	0.7	3.8
Medical and dental equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Accommodation equipment	54.3	54.3	72.9	—	72.9	—	(18.6)
Refrigeration equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Miscellaneous equipment	27.5	27.5	34.5	—	34.5	—	(7.0)
Field defence equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Spare parts, repairs and maintenance	15.5	15.5	—	3.6	3.6	—	11.9
Water-purification equipment	7.2	7.2	8.0	—	8.0	—	(0.8)
Total, line 9	**200.9**	**200.9**	**196.1**	**3.6**	**199.7**	**0.7**	**1.2**
10. Supplies and services							
(a) Miscellaneous services							
Audit services	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Contractual services	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Data-processing services	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Security services	6.0	6.0	—	45.0	45.0	7.6	(39.0)
Medical treatment and services	12.0	12.0	—	3.8	3.8	—	8.2
Claims and adjustments	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Official hospitality	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Miscellaneous other services	15.8	15.8	—	24.9	24.9	7.5	(9.1)
Subtotal	**33.8**	**33.8**	**—**	**73.7**	**73.7**	**15.1**	**(39.9)**
(b) Miscellaneous supplies							
Stationery and office supplies	18.0	18.0	—	19.9	19.9	0.1	(1.9)
Medical supplies	18.0	18.0	—	16.0	16.0	13.7	2.0
Sanitation and cleaning materials	4.1	4.1	—	9.6	9.6	—	(5.5)
Subscriptions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

	(1) Original cost estimates	(2) Apportionment	(3) Non-recurrent expenditures	(4) Recurrent expenditures	(5) Total expenditures (3+4)	(6) Unliquidated obligations	(7) Variance (2-5)
Electrical supplies	27.0	27.0	—	41.8	41.8	—	(14.8)
Ballistic-protective blankets for vehicles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Uniform items, flags and decals	5.0	5.0	—	0.5	0.5	0.5	4.5
Field defence stores	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Operational maps	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Quartermaster and general stores	15.0	15.0	—	16.5	16.5	0.2	(1.5)
Subtotal	**87.1**	**87.1**	**—**	**104.3**	**104.3**	**14.5**	**(17.2)**
Total, line 10	**120.9**	**120.9**	**—**	**178.0**	**178.0**	**29.6**	**(57.1)**
11. Election-related supplies and services	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
12. Public information programmes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13. Training programmes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
14. Mine-clearing programmes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15. Assistance for disarmament and demobilization	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
16. Air and surface freight							
Transport of contingent-owned equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Military airlifts	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Commercial freight and cartage	60.0	60.0	—	59.8	59.8	1.1	0.2
Total, line 16	**60.0**	**60.0**	**—**	**59.8**	**59.8**	**1.1**	**0.2**
17. United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Support account for peacekeeping operations	—	—	—	—	—	—	**43.7**
19. Staff assessment	**50.7**	**43.7**	—	—	—	—	—
Total, lines 1–19	**4 570.8**	**4 000.0**	**1 191.2**	**2 754.8**	**3 946.0**	**1 243.0**	**54.0**
20. Income from staff assessment	**(50.7)**	**(43.7)**	—	—	—	—	**(43.7)**
21. Voluntary contributions in kind (budgeted)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, lines 20–21	**(50.7)**	**(43.7)**	—	—	—	—	**(43.7)**
Gross requirements	4 570.8	4 000.0	1 191.2	2 754.8	3 946.0	1 243.0	54.0
Net requirements	4 520.1	3 956.3	1 191.2	2 754.8	3 946.0	1 243.0	10.3
22. Voluntary contributions in kind (non-budgeted)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total resources	**4 520.1**	**3 956.3**	**1 191.2**	**2 754.8**	**3 946.0**	**1 243.0**	**10.3**

Annex II

Supplementary information on the financial performance report for the period from 15 February to 31 May 1997

A. Detailed variances in requirements and costs

Description	Apportionment: Number of units	Apportionment: Unit/daily/monthly/annual cost (United States dollars)	Actual: Number of units	Actual: Unit/daily/monthly/annual cost (United States dollars)	Explanation	Supplementary explanation (para. numbers in sect. B)
1. Military personnel costs						
(a) Military observers						1–3
Number of military observers	155		145			
Mission subsistence allowance		813 800		983 900	Owing to operational requirements, more time was spent outside of camps where accommodation was not provided.	
Travel costs		465 000		453 000	See section B of the present annex for additional information.	
Clothing and equipment allowance		7 800		7 600	Deployment of fewer observers.	
(b) Military contingents		—		—	No change.	
(c) Other costs pertaining to military personnel						4–5
Contingent-owned equipment		6 900		2 400	Lower actual requirements.	
Death and disability compensation		15 500		15 500	No change.	
2. Civilian personnel costs						
(a) Civilian police		—		—	*Idem.*	
(b) International and local staff						6–10
International staff salaries						
Number of staff	10		3			
Total costs		132 100		126 300	See section B of the present annex for additional information.	
Local staff salaries						
Number of staff	20		20			
Total costs		59 500		77 500	*Idem.*	
Common staff costs		73 400		30 700	*Idem.*	
Mission subsistence allowance		64 900		21 800	Deployment of fewer personnel.	

Description	Apportionment: Number of units	Apportionment: Unit/daily/monthly/annual cost (United States dollars)	Actual: Number of units	Actual: Unit/daily/monthly/annual cost (United States dollars)	Explanation	Supplementary explanation (para. numbers in sect. B)
Other travel costs		—		11 600	See section B of the present annex for additional information.	
(c) International contractual personnel		—		—	No change.	
(d) United Nations Volunteers		—		—	*Idem.*	
(e) Government-provided personnel		—		—	*Idem.*	
(f) Civilian electoral observers		—		—	*Idem.*	
3. Premises/accommodation						11–15
Rental of premises		28 600		40 300	Higher cost of team sites.	
Alteration and renovation of premises		—		—	No change.	
Maintenance supplies		5 000		500	Lower actual requirements.	
Maintenance services		11 000		3 000	*Idem.*	
Utilities		89 100		39 300	Lower actual cost of generator fuel.	
Construction/prefabricated buildings		754 500		754 700		
4. Infrastructure repairs						
Upgrading of airstrips		—		—	No change.	
Upgrading of roads		5 000		5 000	*Idem.*	
Repair of bridges		—		—	*Idem.*	
5. Transport operations						16–17
Purchase of vehicles		—		—	*Idem.*	
Rental of vehicles		43 000		54 700	Higher actual requirements.	
Workshop equipment		—		—	No change.	
Spare parts, repairs and maintenance		—		—	*Idem.*	
Petrol, oil and lubricants		22 700		16 700	Lower fuel consumption.	
Vehicle insurance		—		—	No change.	
6. Air operations						
(a) Helicopter operations						18–19
Hire/charter costs	3	284 900	1	531 000	See section B of the present annex for additional information.	
Aviation fuel and lubricants		—		—	No change.	
Positioning/depositioning costs		420 000		171 000	Reduction in the number of helicopters.	
(b) Fixed-wing aircraft		—		—	No change.	
(c) Aircrew subsistence allowance		—		—	*Idem.*	

Description	Apportionment: Number of units	Apportionment: Unit/daily/monthly/annual cost (United States dollars)	Actual: Number of units	Actual: Unit/daily/monthly/annual cost (United States dollars)	Explanation	Supplementary explanation (para. numbers in sect. B)
(d) Other air operation costs		—		—	*Idem.*	
7. Naval operations		—		—	*Idem.*	
8. Communications						
(a) Complementary communications						20–22
Communications equipment		70 500		64 40	Lower actual requirements.	
Spare parts and supplies		36 300		47 600	Higher actual requirements.	
Workshop and test equipment		—		—	No change.	
Commercial communications		165 000		50 000	One less INMARSAT terminal, lower requirements.	
(b) Main trunking contract		—		—	No change.	
9. Other equipment						23–31
Office furniture		35 000		24 500	Lower actual requirements.	
Office equipment		6 000		5 800		
Data-processing equipment		43 000		42 100		
Petrol tank plus metering equipment		7 000		6 700		
Water and septic tanks		5 400		1 600	Fewer items purchased.	
Accommodation equipment		54 300		72 900	See section B of the present annex for additional information.	
Miscellaneous equipment		27 500		34 500	*Idem.*	
Spare parts, repairs and maintenance		15 500		3 600	*Idem.*	
Water-purification equipment		7 200		8 000		
10. Supplies and services						
(a) Miscellaneous services						32–34
Security services		6 000		45 000	Higher actual costs.	
Medical treatment and services		12 000		3 800	Lower actual requirements.	
Miscellaneous other services		15 800		24 900	See section B of the present annex for additional information.	
(b) Miscellaneous supplies						35–40
Stationery and office supplies		18 000		19 900	Certificates of demobilization for the ex-combatants.	
Medical supplies		18 000		16 000	Lower actual requirements.	
Sanitation and cleaning materials		4 100		9 600	Higher cost of supplies.	
Electrical supplies		27 000		41 800	Higher cost of supplies.	

Description	Apportionment: Number of units	Apportionment: Unit/daily/monthly/annual cost (United States dollars)	Actual: Number of units	Actual: Unit/daily/monthly/annual cost (United States dollars)	Explanation	Supplementary explanation (para. numbers in sect. B)
Uniform items, flags and decals		5 000		500	Purchase of medals only.	
Quartermaster and general stores		15 000		16 500	Purchase of keys and maps.	
11. Election-related supplies and services		—		—	No change.	
12. Public information programmes		—		—	*Idem.*	
13. Training programmes		—		—	*Idem.*	
14. Mine-clearing programmes		—		—	*Idem.*	
15. Assistance for disarmament and demobilization		—		—	*Idem.*	
16. Air and surface freight						41
Transport of contingent-owned equipment		—		—	*Idem.*	
Military airlifts		—		—	*Idem.*	
Commercial freight and cartage		60 000		59 800	Lower actual requirement.	
17. United Nations Logistics Base, Brindisi		—		—	No change.	
18. Support account for peacekeeping operations		—		—	*Idem.*	
19. Staff assessment		43 700		—	See section B of the present annex for additional information.	
20. Income from staff assessment		(43 700)		—	*Idem.*	

B. Supplementary explanation

	Variances (United States dollars)
1. Military personnel costs	
(a) Military observers	(157 900)

1. *Mission subsistence allowance.* The cost estimates provided for the payment of mission subsistence allowance to 142 military observers and 13 medical personnel. It was originally envisaged that only the 35 military observers deployed at group headquarters would be paid at the rates of $107 per day for the first 30 days and at $82 per day thereafter. Some observers deployed at group headquarters were provided with accommodation and were paid mission subsistence allowance at the reduced rate of $40 per day for the first 30 days and $36 per day thereafter. The estimates for the remaining personnel were calculated at $107 per day for the first 10 days while in Guatemala City for briefing, at $82 per day for 10 days outside the team sites and at $36 per day at team sites where accommodation was to be provided. However, the other observers spent more days outside the camps for patrols and administrative tasks in Guatemala City, thus receiving $82 per day instead of the accommodation-provided rate of $36 per day, resulting in additional requirements of $170,100 under this heading. Owing to restrictions on travel after 6 p.m. outside of Guatemala City, observers could not always return to the camps. The administrative tasks included attendance at meetings, briefings and debriefings, as well as training on camera equipment used for special identification cards for the demobilization personnel.

2. *Travel costs.* Provision was made under this heading in the amount of $465,000 for the emplacement and repatriation travel of 155 personnel at an average cost of $1,500 per trip. Expenditures at 30 June 1997 amounted to $453,000 for the travel of 145 military observers, including unliquidated obligations totalling $360,100. An amount of $11,400 was subsequently liquidated.

3. *Clothing and equipment allowance.* There was an unutilized balance of $200 under this heading.

(b) Military contingents	—
(c) Other costs pertaining to military personnel	4 500

4. *Contingent-owned equipment.* It was estimated that medical equipment brought into the mission area by the Governments that contributed medical personnel would be reimbursed at the rate of $575 per month for each of four units ($6,900). Actual requirements amounted to $2,400, resulting in an unutilized balance of $4,500 under this heading.

5. *Death and disability.* An amount of $15,500 had been obligated to cover potential claims. The obligation was later liquidated in its entirety since there was no case of death or injury during the period in which the demobilization took place.

2. Civilian personnel costs	
(a) Civilian police	—
(b) International and local staff	62 000

6. *International staff salaries.* The cost estimates were based on the deployment of 10 international staff (1 D-1, 3 Field Service and 6 General Service), namely the Chief Military

Observer, three communications technicians and six administrative assistants. A total of three staff were deployed (the Chief Military Observer, 1 Field Service Officer and 1 General Service staff). The non-deployment of the full complement of international staff during the demobilization process was linked to difficulties in identifying candidates with the required language and experience and within the specific time-frame. In view of these circumstances, the mission had to organize the support to the demobilization process through temporary redeployment from those areas which were less critical to the demobilization process. Administrative backstopping was provided by the existing MINUGUA administrative staff. In the absence of the three communications technicians, the mission had to mobilize the existing international and local radio technicians, who carried out those additional duties by working weekends and longer hours. Owing to the short duration of the mission, no salary charges for those three staff had been recorded in the accounts before the closing on 30 June 1997. An obligation in the amount of $126,300 was issued to cover the costs, of which $79,600 was later liquidated.

7. *Local staff salaries.* Additional requirements of $18,000 under this heading were due to the hiring of additional staff in April and May 1997 and the retention of two local staff during the first week of June and three local staff through 15 June 1997 to carry out the dismantling of the team sites.

8. *Common staff costs.* The unutilized balance of $42,700 under this heading resulted from the deployment of fewer staff. The end of mandate obligation of $24,200 was subsequently reduced by $10,700.

9. *Mission subsistence allowance.* The unutilized balance of $43,100 was attributable to the deployment of 3 instead of 10 international staff.

10. *Other travel costs.* Expenditures of $11,600 were incurred for travel within the mission area ($8,900) during the setting-up and the dismantling of the team sites, as well as for the travel of two officials from the Military Adviser's Office ($2,700) to oversee preparation for the demobilization and to provide guidance, advice and mission familiarization during the early phase of the operation. The fact that only 3 of the 10 planned international staff were deployed necessitated daily travel and overnight stays of both international and local MINUGUA staff to install, maintain and dismantle camp sites as well as to repair and replace equipment.

(c) International contractual personnel ..... —

(d) United Nations Volunteers ..... —

(e) Government-provided personnel ..... —

(f) Civilian electoral observers ..... —

3. Premises/accommodation 50 400

11. *Rental of premises.* The cost estimates of $28,600 included $12,775 for rental of the group headquarters in Guatemala City, $1,750 for the sector headquarters in Quiche and $14,000 for six team sites. The actual rental costs amounted to $10,471 for the group headquarters, $1,210 for the sector headquarters and $28,596 for the team sites, resulting in additional requirements of $11,700 under this heading.

12. *Maintenance supplies.* Requirements for maintenance supplies were lower than estimated, resulting in an unutilized balance of $4,500 under this heading.

13. *Maintenance services.* The cost of maintenance services were estimated at $1,500 per month for cleaning and $2,000 per month for repair of offices. Actual requirements averaged $900 per month, resulting in an unutilized balance of $8,000 under this heading.

14. *Utilities.* Provision was made under this heading in the amount of $89,100 for electricity and water ($3,500) and diesel fuel and oil ($85,600) to be used for generators and water pumps. Requirements for generator fuel were lower ($10,600 per month) resulting in an unutilized balance of $49,800.

15. *Construction/prefabricated buildings.* Additional requirements under this heading amounted to $200.

4. Infrastructure repairs ..... —

5. Transport operations ..... (5 700)

16. *Rental of vehicles.* Additional requirements of $11,700 were due to the rental of 12 buses to transport the military observers from Guatemala City to the demobilization sites and back ($7,600) and the additional rental cost for cranes and six trucks ($4,100) to transport containers used to deposit arms, grenades and ammunition from the demobilization sites to the Government arms depot in Guatemala City.

17. *Petrol, oil and lubricants.* Lower consumption of petrol resulted in an unutilized balance of $6,000.

6. Air operations

(a) Helicopter operations 2 900

18. *Hire/charter costs.* Additional requirements of $246,100 were due to changes in contractual arrangements. The cost estimates provided for the hire of three helicopters. The initial contract had to be cancelled because the company could not provide the services stipulated in the contract. In order to carry out the demobilization tasks in February and March 1997, the MINUGUA helicopters were utilized and the additional hours charged to the Military Observer Group. The MINUGUA air contract was amended to provide for an additional helicopter effective 1 April 1997. Expenditures amounted to $531,000 for a total of 326.76 flying hours at $1,625 per hour.

19. *Positioning/depositioning costs.* The unutilized balance of $249,000 under this heading resulted from the deployment of one helicopter instead of the three originally planned.

(b) Fixed-wing aircraft ..... —

(c) Air crew subsistence allowance ..... —

(d) Other air operations costs ..... —

7. Naval operations ..... —

8. Communications

(a) Complementary communications 109 800

20. *Communications equipment.* The cost estimates provided $49,400 for the purchase of equipment as well as $21,100 for the shipment of equipment from other missions. The unutilized balance of $6,100 resulted from the purchase of 10 cellular phones instead of 13 and the fact that no telephone sets were purchased.

21. *Spare parts and supplies.* Actual requirements were higher by $11,300.

22. *Commercial communications.* Requirements under this heading were estimated at $2,500 per month for telephone costs and at $10,000 per month for each of five INMARSAT terminals. The unutilized balance of $115,000 resulted from the use of only four INMARSAT terminals and lower monthly costs.

(b) *Main trunking contract* ..... —

9. Other equipment 1 200

23. *Office furniture.* There was an unutilized balance of $10,500 under this heading. Owing to the deployment of fewer personnel there were fewer requirements for office furniture.

24. *Office equipment.* There was an unutilized balance of $200 in respect of the purchase of 15 small safes.

25. *Data-processing equipment.* The cost estimates provided for the purchase of 15 desktop computers ($24,000) and freight charges for the shipment of laptop computers and printers from other missions ($19,000). Actual requirements for the purchase of 15 desktop computers and transport of 21 laptop computers and 28 printers were lower by $900.

26. *Petrol tank plus metering equipment.* Provision was made in the amount of $7,000 for the purchase of 21 diesel storage tanks. Actual requirements totalled $6,700, resulting in an unutilized balance of $300.

27. *Water and septic tanks.* The cost estimates provided $5,400 for the purchase of 18 water tanks. A total of 18 water tanks, 4 septic tanks and accessories were purchased at a total cost of $1,600, resulting in an unutilized balance of $3,800.

28. *Accommodation equipment.* Requirements under this heading were estimated at $54,300 for various items of accommodation equipment, including air-conditioners, refrigerators, freezers, stoves, washing machines and dryers. Additional requirements amounting to $18,600 related primarily to the purchase of 155 lockers ($10,500), 155 pillows ($2,200), 155 bed spreads ($3,100) and kitchen utensils ($1,900).

29. *Miscellaneous equipment.* Provision was made in the amount of $27,500 for the purchase of 6 cameras ($21,000) and 10 sea containers ($6,500). Actual expenditures amounted to $34,500 for six cameras ($15,300), film and other accessories needed for the processing of photo identification of military observers ($12,200), the purchase of five sea containers and the shipment of six sea containers from the United Nations Mission in Haiti ($2,500).

30. *Spare parts, repairs and maintenance.* There was an unutilized balance of $11,900 under this heading. Actual expenditures of $3,600 were limited to the cost of spare parts and ink cartridges for photocopiers.

31. *Water purification equipment.* Provision was made in the amount of $7,200 for the purchase of six water treatment systems. Actual requirements were higher by $800.

10. Supplies and services

(a) *Miscellaneous services* ..... (39 900)

32. *Security services.* Requirements were estimated at $2,000 per month for security services at headquarters and the six team sites. Actual requirements amounted to $42,700 for the hiring of 21 watchmen (3 per team site and 3 for the sector headquarters) at $6,100 per site and $2,300 for two security guards for the demobilization headquarters in Guatemala City.

33. *Medical treatment and services.* There was an unutilized balance of $8,200 under this heading owing to lower requirements by military observers for minor medical treatment.

34. *Miscellaneous other services.* Requirements were estimated at $15,800 for rental of photocopiers and for bank charges. There were additional requirements of $9,100 for the installation of various items of accommodation equipment and cleaning services for headquarters and team sites.

(b) *Miscellaneous supplies* ..... (17 200)

35. *Stationery and office supplies.* Additional requirements of $1,900 related to the need to acquire certificates of demobilization for the ex-combatants.

36. *Medical supplies.* Requirements for medical supplies were lower than estimated, resulting in an unutilized balance of $2,000.

37. *Sanitation and cleaning materials.* There were additional requirements of $5,500 under this heading owing to the higher than anticipated cost of supplies.

38. *Electrical supplies.* Additional requirements of $14,800 were due to the higher than anticipated cost of wiring, cables, lighting and related materials for the team sites.

39. *Uniform items, flags and decals.* Expenditures of $500, related solely to the purchase of medals for the military observers, resulted in an unutilized balance of $4,500.

40. *Quartermaster and general stores.* Additional requirements of $1,500 under this heading related to the purchase of keys and maps for the military observers.

11. Election-related supplies and services ..... —

12. Public information programmes ..... —

13. Training programmes ..... —

14. Mine-clearing programmes ..... —

15. Assistance for disarmament and demobilization ..... —

16. Air and surface freight 200

41. *Commercial freight and cartage.* There was an unutilized balance of $200 under this heading.

17. United Nations Logistics Base, Brindisi ..... —

18. Support account for peacekeeping operations ..... —

19. Staff assessment 43 700

42. There were no expenditures recorded under this heading. As indicated in paragraph 7 above, an amount of $126,300 was obligated under international salaries to cover all costs associated with the three staff deployed.

20. Income from staff assessment ..... (43 700)

43. This item is derived from item 19 above.

21. Voluntary contributions in kind (budgeted) ..... —

22. Voluntary contributions in kind (non-budgeted) ..... —

Annex III

Authorized staffing, incumbency and vacancy rates for the period from 15 February to 31 May 1997

Personnel category	*Authorized staffing*	*Actual staff on board*				
		28 February	*31 March*	*30 April*	*31 May*	*Average*
Military personnel						
Military observers	155	148	145	145	15	113
Vacancy rate (percentage)		5	6	6	90	27
Military contingents	—	—	—	—	—	—
Vacancy rate (percentage)		—	—	—	—	—
Total, military personnel	**155**	**148**	**145**	**145**	**15**	**113**
Vacancy rate (percentage)		**5**	**6**	**6**	**90**	**27**
Civilian personnel						
Civilian police	—	—	—	—	—	—
Vacancy rate (percentage)		—	—	—	—	—
International staff						
Under-Secretary-General	—	—	—	—	—	—
Assistant Secretary-General	—	—	—	—	—	—
D-2	—	—	—	—	—	—
D-1	1	1	1	1	1	1
P-5	—	—	—	—	—	—
P-4	—	—	—	—	—	—
P-3	—	—	—	—	—	—
P-2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Subtotal	1	1	1	1	1	1
Vacancy rate (percentage)		—	—	—	—	—
Field Service	3	1	1	1	1	1
General Service (Principal level)	—	—	—	—	—	—
General Service (Other levels)	6	1	1	1	1	1
Security Service	—	—	—	—	—	—
Subtotal	9	2	2	2	2	2
Vacancy rate (percentage)		78	78	78	78	78
Total, international staff	**10**	**3**	**3**	**3**	**3**	**3**
Vacancy rate (percentage)		**70**	**70**	**70**	**70**	**70**
Local staff	20	15	20	22	23	20
Vacancy rate (percentage)		25	—	(10)	(15)	—

Personnel category	*Authorized staffing*	*Actual staff on board*				
		28 February	*31 March*	*30 April*	*31 May*	*Average*
United Nations Volunteers	—	—	—	—	—	—
Vacancy rate (percentage)		—	—	—	—	—
Total, civilian personnel	**30**	**18**	**23**	**25**	**26**	**23**
Vacancy rate (percentage)		**40**	**23**	**17**	**13**	**23**

Annex IV

Planned and actual deployment of military and civilian personnel for the period from 15 February to 31 May 1997

	28 February	*31 March*	*30 April*	*18 May*	*31 May*
Military observers					
Planned	155	155	155	155	155
Actual	148	145	145	63	15
Difference	7	10	10	92	140
Military contingents					
Planned	—	—	—	—	—
Actual	—	—	—	—	—
Difference	—	—	—	—	—
Civilian police					
Planned	—	—	—	—	—
Actual	—	—	—	—	—
Difference	—	—	—	—	—
International staff					
Planned	5	10	10	10	10
Actual	3	3	3	3	3
Difference	2	7	7	7	7
Local staff					
Planned	20	20	20	20	20
Actual	15	20	22	23	23
Difference	5	—	(2)	(3)	(3)
United Nations Volunteers					
Planned	—	—	—	—	—
Actual	—	—	—	—	—
Difference	—	—	—	—	—

Annex V

Summary of the final disposition of assets

(Thousands of United States dollars)

	Group I		Group II				Group III					
	Transferred to other missions or for temporary storage to UNLB, Brindisi		Disposed of in the mission area				Written off/lost					
			Subgroup (a) (Sold)		Subgroup (b) (Donated)		Subgroup (a) (Written off)		Subgroup (b) (Lost)		Total	
Category of assets	*Quantity*	*Inventory value*	*Quantity*	*Inventory value*	*Quantity*	*Inventory value*	*Quantity*	*Inventory value*	*Quantity*	*Inventory value*	*Quantity*	*Inventory value*
Prefabricated buildings												
Ablution units	—	—	7	62.3	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	62.3
Accommodation units	11	8.6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	8.6
Metal platforms for tents	—	—	47	72.8	—	—	—	—	—	—	47	72.8
Metal platforms for water tanks	—	—	6	5.9	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	5.9
Rubb Halls/tentage	65	410.4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	65	410.4
Subtotal	**76**	**419.0**	**60**	**141.0**	—	—	—	—	—	—	**136**	**560.0**
Communications equipment												
Telephone equipment	38	34.6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	38	34.6
Radio equipment	115	70.8	—	—	—	—	4	1.9	1	0.5	120	73.2
Tools and equipment	261	53.4	—	—	—	—	2	0.6	—	—	263	54.0
Subtotal	**414**	**158.8**	—	—	—	—	**6**	**2.5**	**1**	**0.5**	**421**	**161.8**
Office equipment												
Facsimile machines	10	6.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	6.0
Office furniture	248	26.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	248	26.0
Safes	15	5.8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	15	5.8
Subtotal	**273**	**37.8**	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**273**	**37.8**
Data-processing equipment												
Desktop computers	15	19.8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	15	19.8
Laptop computers	12	24.8	—	—	—	—	9	18.6	—	—	21	43.4

Category of assets	Group I		Group II				Group III				Total	
	Transferred to other missions or for temporary storage to UNLB, Brindisi		Disposed of in the mission area				Written off/lost					
			Subgroup (a) (Sold)		Subgroup (b) (Donated)		Subgroup (a) (Written off)		Subgroup (b) (Lost)			
	Quantity	Inventory value	Quantity	Inventory value	Quantity	Inventory value	Quantity	Inventory value	Quantity	Inventory value	Quantity	Inventory value
Printers	28	9.7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	28	9.7
Tools and equipment	27	5.6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	27	5.6
Subtotal	**82**	**59.9**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**9**	**18.6**	**—**	**—**	**91**	**78.5**
Generators	**6**	**150.0**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**2**	**24.2**	**—**	**—**	**8**	**174.2**
Petrol tank plus metering equipment												
Fuel tank	1	0.3	10	3.3	—	—	9	3.0	—	—	20	6.6
Water and septic tanks												
Water tanks	4	1.2	9	2.6	—	—	5	1.5	—	—	18	5.3
Water bladder	1	5.9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	5.9
Septic tanks	4	0.6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	0.6
Subtotal	**9**	**7.7**	**9**	**2.6**	**—**	**—**	**5**	**1.5**	**—**	**—**	**23**	**11.8**
Accommodation equipment												
Air-conditioners	34	33.9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	34	33.9
Metal lockers	193	15.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	193	15.0
Kitchen supplies	—	3.5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3.5
Electric heaters	6	2.2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	2.2
Washing machines	—	—	6	2.6	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	2.6
Dryers	—	—	6	1.9	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	1.9
Electric stoves	3	1.3	3	1.3	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	2.6
Miscellaneous equipment	366	7.5	49	0.7	—	—	1 038	23.2	762	0.2	2 215	31.6
Subtotal	**602**	**63.4**	**64**	**6.5**	**—**	**—**	**1 038**	**23.2**	**762**	**0.2**	**2 466**	**93.3**

Category of assets	Group I		Group II				Group III				Total	
			Disposed of in the mission area				Written off/lost					
	Transferred to other missions or for temporary storage to UNLB, Brindisi		Subgroup (a) (Sold)		Subgroup (b) (Donated)		Subgroup (a) (Written off)		Subgroup (b) (Lost)			
	Quantity	Inventory value	Quantity	Inventory value	Quantity	Inventory value	Quantity	Inventory value	Quantity	Inventory value	Quantity	Inventory value
Refrigeration equipment												
Refrigerators	14	5.5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	5.5
Miscellaneous equipment												
Instant cameras	6	15.3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	15.3
Slide projectors	1	0.6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	0.6
Flag poles	15	2.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	15	2.0
Subtotal	**22**	**17.9**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**22**	**17.9**
Field defence equipment												
1,980 m security fencing	—	16.7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	16.7
18,500 m barbed wire	—	—	90	5.2	—	—	—	—	—	—	90	5.2
Subtotal	**—**	**16.7**	**90**	**5.2**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**90**	**21.9**
Water purification equipment												
Water pumps	11	28.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	28.0
Chlorine test kits	2	0.3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	0.3
Subtotal	**13**	**28.3**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**13**	**28.3**
Total	**1 512**	**965.3**	**233**	**158.6**	**—**	**—**	**1 069**	**73.0**	**763**	**0.7**	**3 577**	**1 197.6**

Annex VI

Property transferred to other missions

(Thousands of United States dollars)

Category of assets	MINUGUA		United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi		Total	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
Prefabricated buildings						
Ablution units	—	—	—	—	—	—
Accommodation units	—	—	11	8.6	11	8.6
Metal platforms for tents	—	—	—	—	—	—
Metal platforms for water tanks	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rubb Halls/tentage	—	—	65	410.4	65	410.4
Subtotal	**—**	**—**	**76**	**419.0**	**76**	**419.0**
Communications equipment						
Telephone equipment	38	34.6	—	—	38	34.6
Radio equipment	115	70.8	—	—	115	70.8
Tools and equipment	261	53.4	—	—	261	53.4
Subtotal	**414**	**158.8**	**—**	**—**	**414**	**158.8**
Office equipment						
Facsimile machines	10	6.0	—	—	10	6.0
Office furniture	248	26.0	—	—	248	26.0
Safes	15	5.8	—	—	15	5.8
Subtotal	**273**	**37.8**	**—**	**—**	**273**	**37.8**
Data-processing equipment						
Desktop computers	15	19.8	—	—	15	19.8
Laptop computers	12	24.8	—	—	12	24.8
Printers	28	9.7	—	—	28	9.7
Tools and equipment	27	5.6	—	—	27	5.6
Subtotal	**82**	**59.9**	**—**	**—**	**82**	**59.9**
Generators	—	—	6	150.0	6	150.0
Petrol tank plus metering equipment						
Fuel tank	1	0.3	—	—	1	0.3
Water and septic tanks						
Water tanks	4	1.2	—	—	4	1.2

Category of assets	MINUGUA		United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi		Total	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
Water bladder	—	—	1	5.9	1	5.9
Septic tanks	4	0.6	—	—	4	0.6
Subtotal	**8**	**1.8**	**1**	**5.9**	**9**	**7.7**
Accommodation equipment						
Air-conditioners	34	33.9	—	—	34	33.9
Metal lockers	193	15.0	—	—	193	15.0
Kitchen supplies	—	3.5	—	—	—	3.5
Electric heaters	6	2.2	—	—	6	2.2
Washing machines	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dryers	—	—	—	—	—	—
Electric stoves	3	1.3	—	—	3	1.3
Miscellaneous equipment	366	7.5	—	—	366	7.5
Subtotal	**602**	**63.4**	**—**	**—**	**602**	**63.4**
Refrigeration equipment						
Refrigerators	14	5.5	—	—	14	5.5
Miscellaneous equipment						
Instant cameras	6	15.3	—	—	6	15.3
Slide projectors	1	0.6	—	—	1	0.6
Flag poles	15	2.0	—	—	15	2.0
Subtotal	22	17.9	—	—	22	17.9
Field defence equipment						
1,980 m security fencing	—	16.7	—	—	—	16.7
18,500 m barbed wire	—	—	—	—	—	—
Subtotal	**—**	**16.7**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**16.7**
Water purification equipment						
Water pumps	8	8.4	3	19.6	11	28.0
Chlorine test kits	—	—	2	0.3	2	0.3
Subtotal	**8**	**8.4**	**5**	**19.9**	**13**	**28.3**
Total	**1 424**	**370.5**	**88**	**594.8**	**1 512**	**965.3**

Annex VII

Property sold

(Thousands of United States dollars)

	Transformadora Excelsior S.A.			*Various*			*Total assets sold*		
Category of assets	*Quantity*	*Inventory value*	*Sale value*[a]	*Quantity*	*Inventory value*	*Sale value*	*Quantity*	*Inventory value*	*Sale value*
Prefabricated buildings									
Ablution units	7	62.3	—	—	—	—	7	62.3	—
Accommodation units	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Metal platforms for tents	47	72.8	—	—	—	—	47	72.8	—
Metal platforms for water tanks	6	5.9	—	—	—	—	6	5.9	—
Rubb Halls/tentage	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Subtotal	**60**	**141.0**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**60**	**141.0**	**—**
Communications equipment									
Telephone equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Radio equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tools and equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Subtotal	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**
Office equipment									
Facsimile machines	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Office furniture	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Safes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Subtotal	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**
Data-processing equipment									
Desktop computers	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Laptop computers	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Printers	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tools and equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Subtotal	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**
Generators	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Petrol tank plus metering equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fuel tank	10	3.3	—	—	—	—	10	3.3	—

Category of assets	Transformadora Excelsior S.A.			Various			Total assets sold		
	Quantity	Inventory value	Sale value[a]	Quantity	Inventory value	Sale value	Quantity	Inventory value	Sale value
Water and septic tanks									
Water tanks	9	2.6	—	—	—	—	9	2.6	—
Water bladder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Septic tanks	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Subtotal	**9**	**2.6**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**9**	**2.6**
Accommodation equipment									
Air-conditioners	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Metal lockers	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kitchen supplies	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Electric heaters	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Washing machines	—	—	—	6	2.6	1.3	6	2.6	1.3
Dryers	—	—	—	6	1.9	1.0	6	1.9	1.0
Electric stoves	—	—	—	3	1.3	0.5	3	1.3	0.5
Miscellaneous equipment	—	—	—	49	0.7	0.3	49	0.7	0.3
Subtotal	**—**	**—**	**—**	**64**	**6.5**	**3.1**	**64**	**6.5**	**3.1**
Refrigeration equipment									
Refrigerators	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Miscellaneous equipment									
Instant cameras	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Slide projectors	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Flag poles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Subtotal	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**
Field defence equipment									
1,980 m security fencing	90	5.2	—	—	—	—	90	5.2	—
18,500 m barbed wire	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Subtotal	**90**	**5.2**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**90**	**5.2**	**—**
Water purification equipment									
Water pumps	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chlorine test kits	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Subtotal	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**
Total	**169**	**152.1**	**1.4[a]**	**64**	**6.5**	**3.1**	**233**	**158.6**	**4.5**

[a] Equipment was sold in one lot for a total of $1,440. Sale value is not available for each item.

Annex VIII

Property written off or lost

(Thousands of United States dollars)

	Unaccounted for			*Reported lost*			*Damaged*			*Total write-offs*		
Category of assets	*Quantity*	*Original value*	*Residual value*	*Quantity*	*Original value*	*Residual value*	*Quantity*	*Original value*	*Residual value*	*Quantity*	*Original value*	*Residual value*
Prefabricated buildings												
Ablution units	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Accommodation units	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Metal platforms for tents	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Metal platforms for water tanks	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rubb Halls/tentage	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Subtotal	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Communications equipment												
Telephone equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Radio equipment	—	—	—	1	0.5	0.3	4	1.9	1.1	5	2.4	1.4
Tools and equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	0.6	0.6	2	0.6	0.6
Subtotal	—	—	—	**1**	**0.5**	**0.3**	**6**	**2.5**	**1.8**	**7**	**3.0**	**2.0**
Office equipment												
Facsimile machines	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Office furniture	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Safes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Subtotal	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Data-processing equipment												
Desktop computers	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Laptop computers	9	18.6	10.4	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	18.6	10.4
Printers	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tools and equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Subtotal	**9**	**18.6**	**10.4**	—	—	—	—	—	—	**9**	**18.6**	**10.4**
Generators	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	24.2	15.3	2	24.2	15.3
Petrol tank plus metering equipment												
Fuel tank	9	3.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	3.0	—

Category of assets	Unaccounted for			Reported lost			Damaged			Total write-offs		
	Quantity	Original value	Residual value	Quantity	Original value	Residual value	Quantity	Original value	Residual value	Quantity	Original value	Residual value
Water and septic tanks												
Water tanks	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	1.5	—	5	1.5	—
Water bladder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Septic tanks	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Subtotal	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**5**	**1.5**	**—**	**5**	**1.5**	**—**
Accommodation equipment												
Air-conditioners	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Metal lockers	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kitchen supplies	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Electric heaters	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Washing machines	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dryers	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Electric stoves	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Miscellaneous equipment	—	—	—	762	0.2	—	1 038	23.2	—	1 800	23.4	—
Subtotal	**—**	**—**	**—**	**762**	**0.2**	**—**	**1 038**	**23.2**	**—**	**1 800**	**23.4**	**—**
Refrigeration equipment												
Refrigerators	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Miscellaneous equipment												
Instant cameras	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Slide projectors	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Flag poles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Subtotal	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**
Field defence equipment												
1,980 m security fencing	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18,500 m barbed wire	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Subtotal	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**
Water purification equipment												
Water pumps	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chlorine test kit	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Subtotal	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**
Total	**18**	**21.6**	**10.4**	**763**	**0.7**	**0.3**	**1 051**	**51.4**	**17.0**	**1 832**	**73.7**	**27.7**

Annex IX

Resources made available and operating costs for the period from 15 February to 31 May 1997

(United States dollars)

	Gross	*Net*
A. Summary of resources		
1. *Resources*		
Appropriation (resolution 51/228)	4 000 000	3 956 300
Voluntary contributions in kind	—	—
Total, line 1	**4 000 000**	**3 956 300**
2. *Operating costs*		
Expenditure	3 946 000	3 946 000
Voluntary contributions in kind	—	—
Liquidation of prior period obligations	(130 200)	(130 200)
Total, line 2	**3 815 800**	**3 815 800**
3. *Credits applied to Member States*	—	—
Total, line 3	—	—
4. *Unencumbered balance* (1 less 2 and 3)	**184 200**	**140 500**
B. Cash position		
1. *Income*		
Assessed contributions received at 31 October 1998	3 651 046	3 651 046
Voluntary contributions in kind	—	—
Voluntary contributions in cash	—	—
Interest income	38 653	38 653
Miscellaneous income	68 983	68 983
Total, line 1	**3 758 682**	**3 758 682**
2. *Less: total operating costs*	**(3 815 800)**	**(3 815 800)**
3. *Projected operating deficit* (1 less 2)	**(57 118)**	**(57 118)**

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Report of the Secretary-General

Summary

The present report contains the financial performance report of the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, for the period from 1 July 1997 to 30 June 1998. By its resolutions 51/218 E and 52/1 A of 17 June and 15 October 1997 respectively, the General Assembly authorized the Secretary-General to enter into commitments totalling $13,110,350 for the financing of the Logistics Base for the period from 1 July 1997 to 30 June 1998, inclusive of an amount of $4,207,500 for the clearance of backlog inventory at the Logistics Base.

Resources amounting to $10,835,051 were provided on an ad hoc basis from the appropriations approved by the General Assembly for current peacekeeping operations for the same period. These amounts are reflected in the respective performance reports.

Expenditures for the period totalled $9,461,500, resulting in an unencumbered balance of $1,373,600, consisting of $817,400 for the maintenance budget and $556,200 for the backlog clearance budget. The unencumbered balance resulted primarily from civilian vacancies and reduced requirements for maintenance and contractual services.

The action to be taken by the General Assembly in connection with the financing of the Logistics Base is a decision to apply the unencumbered balance of $1,373,600 to the resources required for the period from 1 July 1999 to 30 June 2000 (see para. 25 of the report).

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I. Introduction

1. The budget for the financing of the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy (UNLB), for the period from 1 July 1997 to 30 June 1998 was set out in the report of the Secretary-General dated 21 May 1997 (A/51/905) and amounted to $13,952,000, inclusive of an amount of $4,207,500 for the clearance of the backlog inventory. It provided for a civilian establishment of 23 international staff (10 Professional, 6 Field Service and 7 General Service) and 21 locally recruited staff, as well as 8 international staff for 3 to 10 months' duration under the backlog budget. It also provided for 1,164 person-months under general temporary assistance, alterations and maintenance of premises, spare parts for various types of equipment, contractual services covering the refurbishment of vehicles and other equipment, the preparation and loading of equipment for shipment to other missions and transport, logistics and electronic support for the Base. The Secretary-General proposed that the expenditures for the period be prorated among the individual active peacekeeping operation budgets rather than appropriated separately.

2. The Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, in paragraph 17 of its report of 30 September 1997 (A/52/407), recommended that the General Assembly approve the budget for the Logistics Base.

3. By its resolutions 51/218 E of 17 June 1997 and 52/1 A of 15 October 1997, the General Assembly authorized the Secretary-General to enter into commitments totalling $13,110,350 for the maintenance of the Logistics Base for the period from 1 July 1997 to 30 June 1998, inclusive of $4,207,500 for clearance of the backlog inventory. By paragraph 10 of its resolution 52/1 A, the Assembly also authorized a civilian establishment consisting of 10 Professional, 6 Field Service and 28 locally recruited staff.

4. In paragraph 9 of that resolution, the General Assembly decided that additional appropriations, as might be required, would be considered in the context of the performance reports on peacekeeping operations for that period. However, the total resources required for UNLB for the period from 1 July 1997 to 30 June 1998 were provided from within the approved appropriations of various peacekeeping operations, as shown in table 1 below. At the time the cost was apportioned among the peacekeeping operations, it was known that much of the planned refurbishment was not undertaken for the reasons stated in paragraph 10 below. Due to the fact that fewer resources were therefore required for spare parts for vehicles, communications equipment, other equipment and contractual services, it was possible to apportion a reduced amount of $10,835,051, which was $2,275,299 less than the commitment authority. Among the projects not undertaken was the refurbishment of 300 vehicles that were never received in Brindisi, but that were instead shipped directly from the closing missions to the recipient missions.

Table 1
Amounts provided by peacekeeping operations
(United States dollars)

Peacekeeping mission	*Amount*
United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus	654 900
United Nations Disengagement Observer Force	458 594
United Nations Civilian Police Mission in Haiti	476 100
United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission	679 200
United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara	646 659
United Nations Observations Mission in Georgia	276 035
United Nations Mission of Observers in Tajikistan	230 262
United Nations Observer Mission in Angola	2 404 298
United Nations Preventive Deployment Force	650 000
United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina	2 585 004
United Nations Transitional Administration for Eastern Slavonia, Baranja and Western Sirmium	1 773 999
Total	**10 835 051**

5. Of this total amount of $10,835,051 shown in table 1, $7,480,405 was allocated to the maintenance of the Logistics Base and $3,354,646 was allocated for clearance of the backlog inventory.

II. Implementation of the budget

A. Maintenance budget

6. During the reporting period UNLB continued to maintain two mission start-up kits in a state of readiness for deployment at short notice, and the satellite communications relay system was enhanced and updated to provide end-users with greater data and information-sharing capability. In addition, an asset inventory verification database was created for purposes of enabling the various operational units within the Technical Services Section to verify stock holdings. The verified records were subsequently reconfirmed through a physical inspection conducted by the Property Control and Inventory Unit. The information contained in this database will form the basis for transfer of data to the field assets control system, a task which is presently ongoing.

7. Receiving and inspection activity is up-to-date and, apart from reports on shipments that were recently received, there are no outstanding reports for issuance. Furthermore, a more thorough and comprehensive receiving and inspection process has been put in place to avoid the creation of further backlogs. A receiving and inspection report is generated for every issue voucher that accompanies each consignment to the Base from the missions. Timely confirmation of receipt of each shipment in good order is then provided to the mission to facilitate payment of vendor invoices for shipping services rendered.

8. During the reporting period a total of 680 material release orders were received from the Field Administration and Logistics Division of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations, and 424 shipments were handled. These included 168 incoming shipments

valued at $37,352,896 and weighing 5,752,427 kilogrammes, and 256 outgoing shipments valued at $14,537,196 and weighing 1,851,874 kilogrammes.

9. The Logistics Base continued to provide communications support to 19 of 22 United Nations operations worldwide and to several specialized agencies through the global satellite network. Other logistics support in the form of supplies and equipment were also provided to the specialized agencies and other United Nations operations, including the World Food Programme (WFP), the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, and the United Nations Children's Fund, on an as-required basis. Appropriate arrangements are in place to ensure recovery of any excess costs incurred by UNLB for such services. For the financial period under review, miscellaneous income amounted to $137,000.

10. Other tasks undertaken included completion of technical inspections, storage of assets, establishment of inventory records for non-expendable items, commencement of write-off action for items to be disposed of and control of shipments to missions. The issuance of retention/liquidation/disposal guidelines by the Field Administration and Logistics Division and the receipt of a revised delegation of authority for property control and accountability from the Controller and the Assistant Secretary-General for Central Support Services, in November 1997, enabled UNLB to select and identify material for write-off that had earlier been considered for refurbishment, storage and/or redistribution. As a result of those actions, the level of resources required was significantly reduced. A total of 546 cases with a combined reconstructed inventory value of approximately $27 million were presented for write-off. The corresponding residual value is estimated at $12 million. Since much of this inventory was received from closed missions with incomplete inventory records as a result of the conditions under which they were terminated, the inventory value should be viewed with caution. In all cases, however, the items were recommended for write-off because they did not meet the criteria for retention approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 52/1 A, namely: (a) that equipment be serviceable and have at least two years' useful life remaining; (b) that equipment can be made serviceable at a cost no greater than 30 per cent of its depreciated value and, after repair, will have at least two years' useful life remaining; and (c) procurement lead times for the equipment involved normally exceed the usual six-month mission mandate period.

11. UNLB hosted several visits during the course of the year, including a joint technical survey mission from WFP, the World Health Organization and the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs. It is anticipated that it will be possible to accommodate the WFP depot requirement on UNLB premises without detriment to the Base's own operations. UNLB is working closely with WFP to determine its precise accommodation requirements and to work out cost-sharing arrangements.

12. It should also be noted that the host Government contributed the services of two specialist military personnel who provided invaluable assistance in the reconciliation of the military spare parts inventory and in the area of movement control and shipping. The assignment of these specialists ended on 13 August 1998. For the period ending 30 June 1998, the value of this in-kind contribution is estimated at $60,000.

B. Backlog clearance budget

13. The General Assembly, in its resolution 52/1 A, authorized the Secretary-General to enter into commitments for the clearance of the backlog inventory at UNLB. This was to facilitate the proper classification, categorization, refurbishment, preservation, storage and/or write-off and disposal of equipment that had originated from the following closed missions: the United Nations Operation in Somalia (UNOSOM), the United Nations

Assistance Mission for Rwanda (UNAMIR) and the United Nations Operation in Mozambique (ONUMOZ).

14. The budget provided for the services of eight international staff for periods of between 3 and 10 months and for general temporary assistance for 348 person-months. It also provided for contractual services incorporating functions such as re-warehousing, repairing, maintaining and refurbishing equipment and purchasing spare parts and other related items to ensure the successful implementation of the project.

15. In this regard, a draft disposal plan was forwarded by UNLB for review in November 1997. The Field Administration and Logistics Division subsequently endeavoured to identify needs across all active peacekeeping missions, and as a consequence some items were identified for transfer. Meanwhile, UNLB personnel began implementing the project.

16. Initial efforts concentrated on establishing a certifiable record of non-expendable and expendable stock holdings. This was done by means of the asset inventory verification database described in paragraph 6 above. For purposes of establishing the inventory and ensuring accountability for property and equipment, all items of material and equipment were segregated, categorized and classified. The tasks involved the physical removal and inspection of equipment from approximately 1,100 sea containers. These items had been stored under inappropriate conditions for two to four years. Upon inspection, on the basis of the guidelines issued by the Field Administration and Logistics Division, a determination was made as to whether the equipment should be entered into the inventory or written off and disposed of.

17. The backlog project has been completed successfully within budget and within the anticipated time-frame, however it should be noted that the activities undertaken under the backlog budget were not limited to the clearance of the backlog inventory of ex-mission equipment from UNOSOM, UNAMIR and ONUMOZ, but also embraced activities of the logistics facility as a whole. For example, equipment originating from United Nations Peace Forces, the United Nations Transitional Administration for Eastern Slavonia, Baranja and Western Sirmium and the United Nations Observer Mission in Liberia were also classified and categorized as part of this exercise. This was a huge undertaking, which was not envisaged for completion at the time the budget was submitted.

18. Of the 680 material release orders received from the Field Administration and Logistics Division, 635 were processed against the backlog project during the period from 1 January to 30 June 1998. Likewise, of the total of 424 shipments handled at the Base, 119 incoming and 132 outgoing shipments were handled by the backlog project during the same period.

III. Financial performance report for the period from 1 July 1997 to 30 June 1998

A. Consolidated budget

19. As indicated in table 2 below, from the apportionment of $10,835,051 for the financing of the Logistics Base for the period from 1 July 1997 to 30 June 1998, expenditures amounted to $9,461,500, inclusive of $3,344,100 in unliquidated obligations. The resulting unencumbered balance of $1,373,600 represents approximately 13 per cent of the amount apportioned. Annex I to the present report contains a summary of the consolidated financial performance information for the period. The breakdown for the maintenance and backlog clearance budgets is provided in annexes II and IV.

Table 2
Apportionment and expenditure
(Thousands of United States dollars)

Category of expenditure	*Apportionment*	*Expenditure*[a]	*Variance*
Civilian personnel costs	5 519.9	4 928.4	591.5
Operational costs	5 271.5	4 495.2	776.3
Other programmes	43.7	37.9	5.8
Total	**10 835.1**	**9 461.5**	**1 373.6**
Voluntary contributions in kind (budgeted)	—	—	—
Net requirements	**10 835.1**	**9 461.5**	**1 373.6**
Voluntary contributions in kind (non-budgeted)	—	60.0	NA
Total resources	**10 835.1**	**9 521.5**	**1 373.6**

NA: not applicable.

[a] Includes $3,344,100 in unliquidated obligations.

B. Maintenance budget

20. As indicated in table 3 below, from the apportionment of $7,480,405 for the maintenance of UNLB for the period from 1 July 1997 to 30 June 1998, expenditures amounted to $6,663,000, inclusive of $1,841,900 in unliquidated obligations. The resulting unencumbered balance of $817,400 represents, in gross terms, approximately 11 per cent of the amount apportioned. Annex II to the present report contains the financial performance information for the maintenance budget for the reporting period by budget line item. Supplementary information on significant variances is presented in annex III. Annex VII contains a chart showing apportionment and expenditures by main budget group.

Table 3
Apportionment and expenditure
(Thousands of United States dollars)

Category of expenditure	*Apportionment*	*Expenditure*[a]	*Variance*
Civilian personnel costs	4 318.0	3 984.1	333.9
Operational costs	3 118.7	2 641.0	477.7
Other programmes	43.7	37.9	5.8
Total	**7 480.4**	**6 663.0**	**817.4**
Voluntary contributions in kind (budgeted)	—	—	0.0
Net requirements	**7 480.4**	**6 663.0**	**817.4**
Voluntary contributions in kind (non-budgeted)	—	60.0	NA
Total resources	**7 480.4**	**6 723.0**	**817.4**

NA: not applicable.

[a] Includes $1,841,900 in unliquidated obligations.

21. Information on the deployment of civilian personnel during the reporting period is presented in table 4 below and annex VI.

Table 4
Authorized staffing, incumbency and vacancy rates for civilian personnel for the period from 1 July 1997 to 30 June 1998

Personnel category	*Authorized strength*	*Actual strength (average)*	*Vacancy rate (per cent)*
1 July–15 October 1997			
International staff	16	16	0.0
Local staff	17	15	12.0
16 October 1997–30 June 1998			
International staff	16	15	6.0
Local staff	28	25	11.0

C. Backlog clearance budget

22. As indicated in table 5 below, from the apportionment of $3,354,646, expenditures for the backlog clearance amounted to $2,798,500, inclusive of $1,502,200 in unliquidated obligations. The resulting unencumbered balance of $556,200 represents, in gross terms, approximately 17 per cent of the amount apportioned. Annex IV to the present report contains the financial performance information, by budget line item, for the clearance of the backlog inventory, which lasted from 16 October 1997 to 30 June 1998. Supplementary information on significant variances is presented in annex V. Annex VIII contains a chart showing the apportionment and expenditure by main budget group.

Table 5
Apportionment and expenditure
(Thousands of United States dollars)

Category of expenditure	*Apportionment*	*Expenditure*[a]	*Variance*
Civilian personnel costs	1 201.9	944.3	257.6
Operational costs	2 152.8	1 854.2	298.6
Other programmes	—	—	0.0
Total	**3 354.7**	**2 798.5**	**556.2**
Voluntary contributions in kind (budgeted)	—	—	0.0
Net requirements	**3 354.7**	**2 798.5**	**556.2**
Voluntary contributions in kind (non-budgeted)	—	—	0.0
Total resources	**3 354.7**	**2 798.5**	**556.2**

[a] Includes $1,502,000 in unliquidated obligations.

23. Information on the deployment of civilian personnel during the reporting period is presented in table 6 below.

Table 6
Authorized staffing, incumbency and vacancy rates for international civilian personnel for the period from 16 October 1997 to 30 June 1998

	Person-months		
Personnel category	*Authorized*	*Actual*	*Variance*
Professional	3	4	(1)
Field Service	46	37	9
General Service	10	6	4
Total	**59**	**47**	**12**

24. This represents a 20 per cent vacancy rate compared to the number of person-months authorized.

IV. Action to be taken by the General Assembly at its fifty-third session

25. The action to be taken by the General Assembly in connection with the financing of the United Nations Logistics Base is a decision to apply the unencumbered balance of $1,373,600 to the resources required for the period from 1 July 1999 to 30 June 2000.

Annex I

Financial performance report for the period from 1 July 1997 to 30 June 1998 — consolidated budget: summary statement

(Thousands of United States dollars)

		(1)	*(2)*	*(3)*	*(4) = (1-3)*
		Apportionment	*Non-recurrent expenditures*	*Total expenditures (inclusive of non-recurrent expenditures)*	*Variance*
I.	**Civilian personnel costs**				
	International and local staff	5 519.9	-	4 928.4	591.5
	Total, line I	**5 519.9**	**-**	**4 928.4**	**591.5**
II.	**Operational costs**				
	1. Premises/accommodation	1 407.1	506.9	1 232.7	174.4
	2. Transport operations	963.8	55.8	919.4	44.4
	3. Communications	578.4	45.0	493.9	84.5
	4. Other equipment	830.2	410.6	719.7	110.5
	5. Supplies and services	1 338.3	-	987.1	351.2
	6. Air and surface freight	153.7	-	142.4	11.3
	Total, line II	**5 271.5**	**1 018.3**	**4 495.2**	**776.3**
III.	**Other programmes**				
	Training programmes	43.7	-	37.9	5.8
	Total, line III	**43.7**	**-**	**37.9**	**5.8**
	Total, lines I - III	**10 835.1**	**1 018.3**	**9 461.5**	**1 373.6**
IV.	**Voluntary contributions in kind (budgeted)**	-	-	-	-
	Net requirements	10 835.1	1 018.3	9 461.5	1 373.6
V.	**Voluntary contributions in kind (non-budgeted)**	-	-	60.0	NA
	TOTAL RESOURCES	**10 835.1**	**1 018.3**	**9 521.5**	**1 373.6**

NA: Not applicable.

Annex II

Financial performance report for the period from 1 July 1997 to 30 June 1998 — maintenance budget: summary statement

(Thousands of United States dollars)

	(1)	*(2)*	*(3)*	*(4) = (1-3)*
	Apportionment	*Non-recurrent expenditures*	*Total expenditures (inclusive of non-recurrent expenditures)*	*Variance*
I. Civilian personnel costs				
International and local staff	4 318.0	-	3 984.1	333.9
Total, line I	**4 318.0**	**-**	**3 984.1**	**333.9**
II. Operational costs				
1. Premises/accommodation	1 132.1	346.9	972.2	159.9
2. Transport operations	439.3	55.8	407.6	31.7
3. Communications	376.0	45.0	297.4	78.6
4. Other equipment	472.3	410.6	442.3	30.0
5. Supplies and services	545.3	-	379.1	166.2
6. Air and surface freight	153.7	-	142.4	11.3
Total, line II	**3 118.7**	**858.3**	**2 641.0**	**477.7**
III. Other programmes				
Training programmes	43.7	-	37.9	5.8
Total, line III	**43.7**	**-**	**37.9**	**5.8**
Total, lines I-III	**7 480.4**	**858.3**	**6 663.0**	**817.4**
IV. Voluntary contributions in kind (budgeted)	-	-	-	-
Net requirements	7 480.4	858.3	6 663.0	817.4
V. Voluntary contributions in kind (non-budgeted)	-	-	60.0	NA
TOTAL RESOURCES	**7 480.4**	**858.3**	**6 723.0**	**817.4**

NA: Not applicable.

Annex III

Supplementary information on significant variances — maintenance budget

Civilian personnel costs

Apportionment: $4,318,000; expenditure: $3,984,100; variance: $333,900

1. The unutilized balance of $333,900 was due to an average vacancy rate of 3 per cent among the international staff and the decision of the General Assembly to convert seven posts from General Service to Local level. Some of those savings were offset by additional requirements to cover a 9.6 per cent increase in local salaries effective 1 January 1998 and higher travel costs.

Operational costs

Apportionment: $3,118,700; expenditure: $2,641,000; variance: $477,700

2. The unutilized balance of $477,700 under this heading resulted from lower actual requirements under premises/accommodation ($159,900), transport operations ($31,700), communications ($78,600); other equipment ($30,000); supplies and services ($166,200); and freight ($11,300).

Premises/accommodation

Apportionment: $1,132,100; expenditure: $972,200; variance: $159,900

3. Owing to changes in requirements, fewer resources were required under this heading. Renovations were undertaken on a smaller scale than planned. Maintenance services were not carried out on a contractual basis as originally envisaged, and fewer projects were completed.

Transport operations

Apportionment: $439,300; expenditure: $407,600; variance: $31,700

4. The unutilized balance under this heading was due to the following factors: (a) the bulk purchase of petrol, oil and lubricants at a lower cost per litre and the use of existing reserves; (b) lower requirements under vehicle insurance, as third-party liability coverage was in effect only during the latter six months; and (c) the expenditure of $20,900 for rental of vehicles was charged to the backlog clearance budget.

Communications

Apportionment: $376,600; expenditure: $297,400; variance: $78,600

5. Requirements under this heading were lower than envisaged. Plans to install a dedicated commercial line between the Logistics Base and the San Pancrazio site were cancelled, and there were no charges to the Logistics Base for use of the satellite transponder, as costs were borne by the peacekeeping operations. In addition, expenses amounting to $14,000 for pouch services were incorrectly charged to contractual services.

Other equipment

Apportionment: $472,300; expenditure: $442,300; variance: $30,000

6. The unspent balance for spare parts, repairs and maintenance resulted from the following factors: (a) the bulk of the spare parts earmarked for refurbishing photocopiers, network workstations, generators and miscellaneous other equipment were not purchased; (b) requirements for office equipment repairs were met from United Nations Logistics Base reserve stock; (c) spare parts for generators were received from the United Nations Transitional Administration for Eastern Slavonia, Baranja and Western Sirmium; and (d) the network workstations arrived too late for the work to be undertaken. These savings were partially offset by requirements under miscellaneous equipment for essential warehouse-related equipment and a voice-mail system.

Supplies and services

Apportionment: $545,300; expenditure: $379,100; variance: $166,200

7. Lower actual requirements for contractual services, sanitation and cleaning materials and miscellaneous supplies and services resulted in savings under this heading. It was envisaged that re-warehousing, selection, packing and loading of equipment and refurbishment of sea containers would be done on a contractual basis. However, requirements for those services were diminished as a result of the write-off of large quantities of equipment, and it proved more cost-effective to accomplish some of the remaining tasks by using general temporary assistance. Furthermore, amounts provided for rental of portable toilets and for grounds maintenance were not utilized, and some administrative costs under the Memorandum of Understanding were charged elsewhere.

Air and surface freight

Apportionment: $153,700; expenditure: $142,400; variance: $11,300

8. The unutilized balance of $11,300 for freight resulted from lower actual requirements for shipments from the Logistics Base to missions.

Voluntary contributions in kind (non-budgeted)

9. The provision of the services of two specialist military personnel by the host Government to assist with the reconciliation of the military spare parts inventory and in the areas of movement control and shipping has been valued at $60,000 for the period ending 30 June 1998.

Annex IV

Financial performance report for the period from 1 July 1997 to 30 June 1998 — backlog clearance budget: summary statement

(Thousands of United States dollars)

	(1)	*(2)*	*(3)*	*(4) = (1-3)*
	Apportionment	*Non-recurrent expenditures*	*Total expenditures (inclusive of non-recurrent expenditures)*	*Variance*
I. Civilian personnel costs				
International and local staff	1 201.9	-	944.3	257.6
Total, line I	**1 201.9**	**-**	**944.3**	**257.6**
II. Operational costs				
1. Premises/accommodation	275.0	160.0	260.5	14.5
2. Transport operations	524.5	-	511.8	12.7
3. Communications	202.4	-	196.5	5.9
4. Other equipment	357.9	-	277.4	80.5
5. Supplies and services	793.0	-	608.0	185.0
6. Freight	-	-	-	-
Total, line II	**2 152.8**	**160.0**	**1 854.2**	**298.6**
III. Other programmes	-	-	-	-
Total, Lines I - III	**3 354.7**	**160.0**	**2 798.5**	**556.2**
IV. Voluntary contributions in kind (budgeted)	-	-	-	-
Net requirements	3 354.7	160.0	2 798.5	556.2
V. Voluntary contributions in kind (non-budgeted)	-	-	-	-
TOTAL RESOURCES	**3 354.7**	**160.0**	**2 798.5**	**556.2**

Annex V

Supplementary information on significant variances — backlog clearance budget

Civilian personnel costs

Apportionment: $1,201,900; expenditure: $944,300; variance: $257,600

1. The unutilized balance of $257,600 was due to a 20 per cent vacancy rate among the international staff and incumbency of posts at lower grade levels than budgeted.

Operational costs

Apportionment: $2,152,800; expenditure: $1,854,200; variance: $298,600

2. The unutilized balance of $298,600 under this heading resulted from lower actual requirements under premises/accommodation ($14,500), transport operations ($12,700), communications ($5,900), other equipment ($80,500) and miscellaneous supplies and services ($185,000).

Premises/accommodation

Apportionment: $275,000; expenditure: $260,500; variance: $14,500

3. Lower requirements for purchase of material for refurbishing containers and storage bins resulted in an unutilized balance of $14,500 under this heading.

Transport operations

Apportionment: $524,500; expenditure: $511,800; variance: $12,700

4. Requirements for vehicle spare parts were lower, as fewer vehicles were refurbished than planned.

Communications

Apportionment: $202,400; expenditure: $196,500; variance: $5,900

5. Requirements for spare parts and supplies were less than estimated.

Other equipment

Apportionment: $357,900; expenditure: $277,400; variance: $80,500

6. The unspent balance resulted from lower actual requirements than budgeted for spare parts, repairs and maintenance of miscellaneous equipment.

Supplies and services

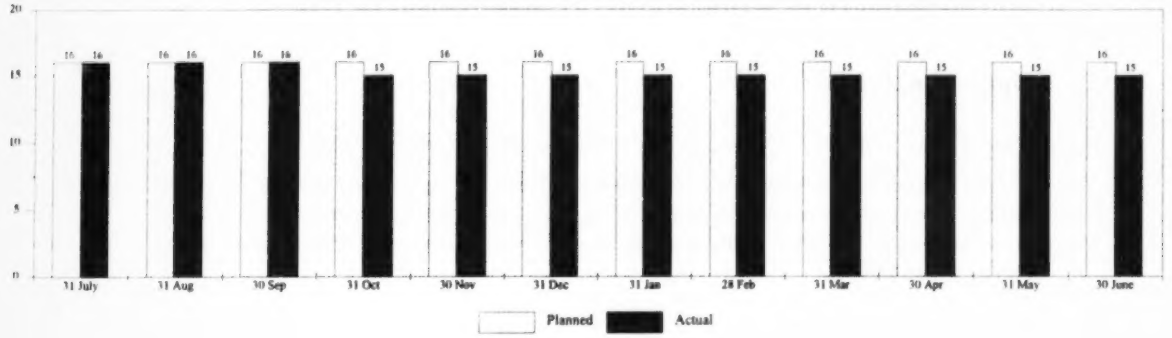
Apportionment: $793,000; expenditure: $608,000; variance: $185,000

7. The unutilized balance under this heading resulted primarily from lower requirements for contractual services relating to re-warehousing, refurbishment of containers and generator maintenance support.

Annex VI

Planned and actual deployment of civilian personnel for the period from 31 July 1997 to 30 June 1998 — maintenance budget

1. International staff



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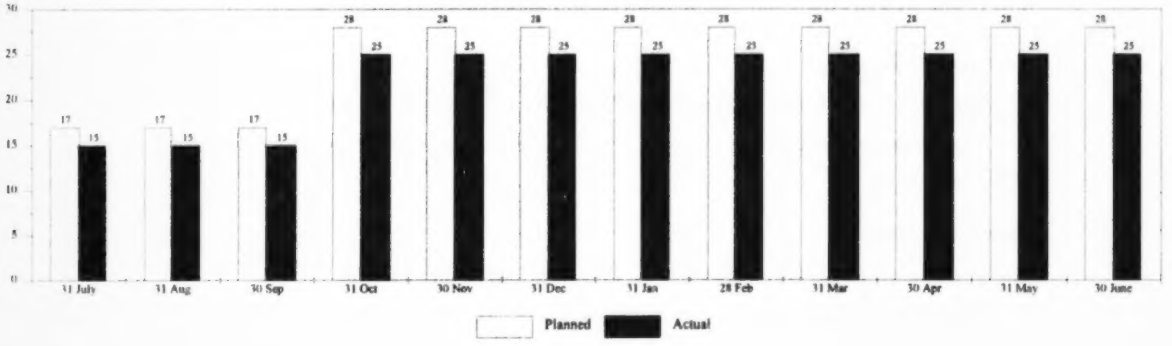
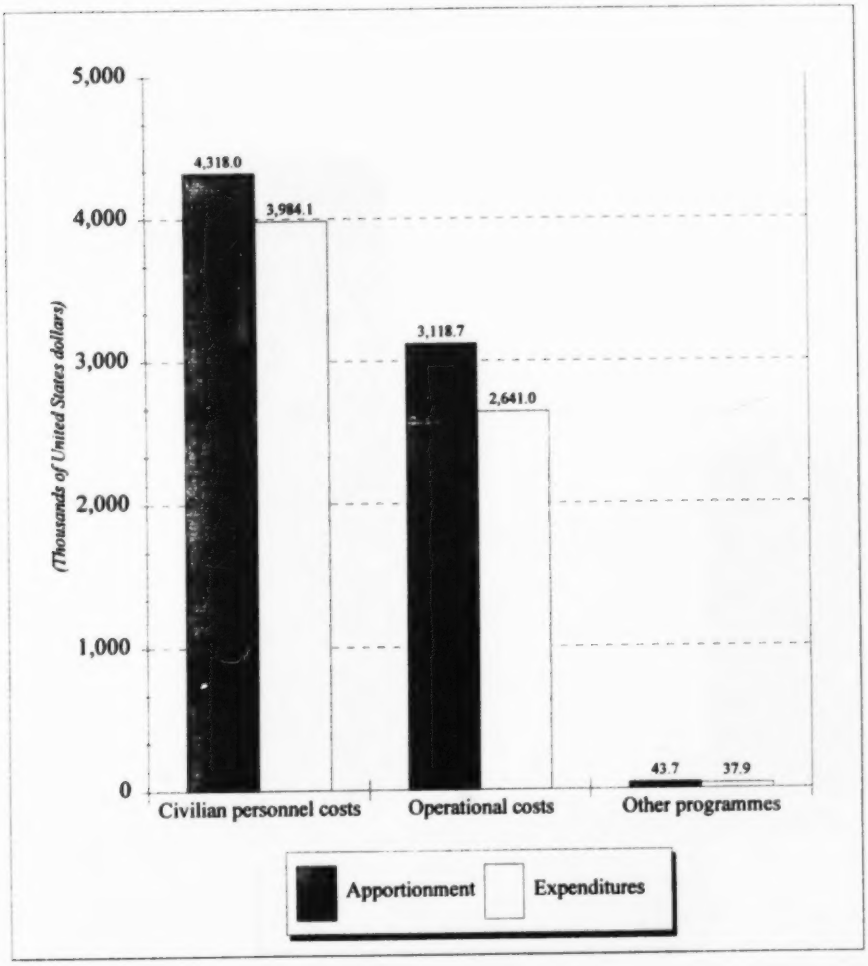


Annex VII

Apportionment and expenditures for the period from 1 July 1997 to 30 June 1998 — maintenance budget



Annex VIII

Apportionment and expenditures for the period from 1 July 1997 to 30 June 1998 — backlog clearance budget